COMMONWEALTH OF MASSACHUSETTS DEPARTMENT OF TELECOMMUNICATIONS AND ENERGY

BERKSHIRE GAS COMPANY

D.T.E. 01-56

ATTORNEY GENERAL'S EIGHTH SET OF DOCUMENT AND INFORMATION REQUESTS

The following is the Attorney General's EIGHTH SET of Information Requests in the above referenced docket to be answered according to the instructions already issued by the Attorney General.

- AG-8-1 Refer to Schedule PMN-8. Please identify each line item that is either allocated to or totally recovered through the Company's LDAC. For each item identified that is allocated between base rates and the LDAC, please provide a detailed description of the basis for each item's allocation to the LDAC. Include all supporting workpapers, calculations, and assumptions. Identify separately those items that were recovered through the LDAC during the test year; but which the Company proposes to collect through base rates in the future and explain why the Company proposes the change.
- AG-8-2 Please provide a table listing all Cost of Service Study allocators and showing which costs are allocated by each. The costs should be identified by account number where appropriate.
- AG-8-3 Please provide separate Peak and Off-Peak fully allocated cost of service studies at equal rates of return excluding all costs that the Company proposes to recover through its adjustment clauses (CGAC, LDAC). Provide all pages of the study, not just a summary. Include all supporting workpapers, calculations, assumptions and a description of how costs were allocated between the seasons. If the total amounts in these studies do not sum to the totals in the study provided in response to AG-2-2 (Base Distribution Cost of Service Study), please explain.
- AG-8-4 Please explain how the Company proposes to treat any savings generated by the Alliance Agreement with BP. Include any precedential basis for the proposed

treatment.

- AG-8-5 Please provide the following information for each individual transaction executed under the BP Alliance Agreement during the period March through August, 2001:
 - a. a description of each transaction (how savings were generated),
 - b. the volume of gas involved in the transaction,
 - c. the price of the gas/MMBtu,
 - d. the cost of any related transportation(per MMBtu and any demand or reservation charge) associated with the transaction,
 - e. the total amount saved
 - f. the amount of savings credited to Energy East Companies,
 - g. the amount of savings credited to Berkshire Gas Company,
 - h. the amount of savings flowed through to the Berkshire customers, and
 - g. over what period the Berkshire customers will receive the savings.

If August data is not available at the time of this response provide all available data and update when August is available.

AG-8-6 Please provide for the period March through August, 2001, a tabulation of all costs, administrative and transaction, related to the BP Alliance agreement that have been incurred by the Company and that are not included in the previous response. If any of these costs are allocated to any of the Company's affiliates, please provide, in detail, the basis for the allocation. If August data is not available at the time of this response provide all available data and update when August is available.

Dated September 5, 2001